

APPENDIX H

SOLID WASTE AWARD AND RECOGNITION PROGRAMS

Solid Waste Award and Recognition Programs

The award and recognition programs listed below are based on information available in May, 2004. While these may change and the list is not comprehensive, it does give a good idea of the types of recognition that may be available to Missouri citizens, businesses, organizations and governments.

- **Missouri Governor's Environmental Excellence and Pollution Prevention Awards**

The Governor's Environmental Excellence and Pollution Prevention Awards honor businesses, organizations and communities that have shown outstanding commitment to improve Missouri's environment. Sponsored by the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and Bridging the Gap, the awards recognize individuals, employers, municipalities, and institutions working to benefit both Missouri's economy and environment. Awards focus on pollution prevention activities, innovative technologies, improvements in energy efficiency, recycling, or education and outreach activities.

- **Missouri Recycling Organization**

Presidents Award

To recognize an individual who has shown a high degree of dedication to the development and advancement of recycling through his or her achievements and long term-commitment. The reigning President of MORA will choose the winner of this award.

Outstanding Business Recycling/ Waste Reduction Program

To recognize a business for success in implementing waste reduction and/or recycling activities which have resulted in significant reductions to its waste stream. Specific criteria include: (1) Types and quantities of materials recycled; (2) Types and quantities of wastes reduced or eliminated; and (3) Total percentage of waste stream diverted.

Best Use of a Recycled Material

To recognize a business that has demonstrated a commitment to using recycled feedstock in manufacturing of a product. Specific criteria include; (1) Percent of recycled content in the manufacturing of a product. (2) Types and quantities of recycled feedstock used; and (3) Resources conserved by using a recycled feedstock in place of virgin raw materials.

Outstanding Recycling Education Program

To recognize an individual or group for commitment to educating others about the need for, and benefit of recycling and waste reduction. Specific criteria include: (1) Length of service in recycling/waste reduction. (2) Description of innovative or unique program, and (3) Type and size of audience impacted.

Outstanding Community or Government Program

To recognize outstanding community recycling program. The award recipient will be providing successful recycling opportunities for residents. Specific criteria include: (1) Percentage of population served, (2) Types and quantities of material collected, and (3) Track record of growth and commitment to future enhancements.

Other Potential Categories

Nominations may be submitted to recognize outstanding efforts other than those in the above categories. Examples might include: (1) Outstanding Service provider (such as a hauler), (2) Outstanding Government Leadership, (3) Outstanding Household Hazardous Waste Program, (4) Outstanding Paint/Tire/ or Electronics Program, (5) Small Town Recycler, or (6) Volunteerism in recycling.

- **Missouri Waste Control Coalition**

Outstanding Achievement Awards In Waste Management – Categories:

Business: awarded to a private business such as contracting, consulting, industrial, private facility operator, resource recovery, or manufacturing, whose actions and attitudes have surpassed the necessary requirements to meet or exceed regulatory guidelines or who have made a unique contribution to waste management practices.

Government: recognizes the contributions of a state, local or federal unit of government, a government employee, or an elected/appointed official in resolving waste management problems.

Education: presented to a student, an educator, a school, or other educational institution whose efforts have facilitated a better understanding of Missouri's natural environment and/or proper waste management practice.

Citizen/Non-Profit: given to an individual citizen or non-profit organization whose efforts have promoted proper waste management practices.

Coalition Contributions: recognizes an individual whose efforts have contributed significantly to the development and growth of the Missouri Waste Control Coalition.

Special Recognition: is reserved for outstanding lifetime achievement in the waste management field.

- **Conservation Federation of Missouri**

Conservationist of the Year

For the most outstanding overall conservation effort and achievement, most significant contribution to the cause of conservation or toward solution of a major conservation

problem in the state during the year. This effort can be in any area of natural resource conservation.

Air Conservationist of the Year

In areas where pollution is a crucial problem, separate recognition for outstanding efforts in this field may be given in addition to or in lieu of the Water Conservationist of the Year. This similarly applies to solid waste, pesticides, or any other area of environmental concern.

Professional Conservationist of the Year

For the most outstanding accomplishment during the year by a professional in the field of conservation or natural resource management in Missouri.

Conservation Educator of the Year

For the outstanding conservation effort in education in the state. Recipients should have accomplished and demonstrated recognized education methods directed toward the conservation of natural resources.

Conservation Organization of the Year

For the outstanding contribution to the conservation effort by a state organization during the year. Federation chapters are eligible for this category and statewide or local bona fide organizations including but not limited to garden clubs, civic organizations, women's clubs, rod and gun clubs, etc. Private corporations may also be nominated in this category. Recipients should have also demonstrated keen interest in projects and programs within the state which deal with basic and serious natural resource problems and should have evolved an action program stemming from that interest.

- **Choose Environmental Excellence – Gateway Region**

Environmental Excellence Awards

These annual awards are presented to businesses, organizations, schools, individuals, and faith communities throughout the Greater St. Louis Region that have taken exemplary steps toward becoming more environmentally responsible.

- **American Forest and Paper Association**

2004 Environmental & Energy Achievement Awards Program

Eligibility: Any AF&PA member company engaged in timber growing and harvest or in the manufacture of pulp, paper and paperboard or solid wood products may enter. Only companies (no individuals) may submit entries. A company may include names of individuals and/or departments, divisions, etc., as part of the entry. Companies may submit as many entries as they wish. However, each such entry must be treated as a separate application. Entries may be made for any U.S. based facility, regardless of the location of company headquarters.

Entrance Criteria: The Entry Form includes several questions that will help an applicant determine if it has a qualified entry. The only additional general criteria for entering are as follows:

- The achievement must have become actual practice at some point in calendar year 2003. Its development may have taken place over any period of time, but its successful implementation must have been in 2003.
- The achievement must be one that does more than merely comply with Federal, state or local regulations.
- Experimental or pilot projects do not qualify as entries.

- **Air and Waste Management Association**

Richard Beatty Mellon Award

This award-established by resolution of the Board of Directors on February 12, 1954-is awarded to an individual whose contributions of a civic nature-whether administrative, legislative, or judicial-have aided substantially in pollution abatement in some field related to the mission and objectives of the Association. To be eligible for the award, individuals must have made a sincere, constant, and unselfish effort over a period of time and in a manner best suited to his/her own resources, to develop or increase interest in, or acceptance of, the cause of air pollution control and waste management for the betterment of the environment. The award is not limited to any specific area of endeavor.

Richard Beatty Mellon established the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research in 1913. He showed great interest in the abatement of urban smoke and air pollution and was a leader in incepting and sustaining the first modern investigations of the control of air pollution. The Richard Beatty Mellon Award may be awarded to members and nonmembers of the Association.

The Waste Management Award

The Waste Management Award -- established by the Board of Directors on June 29, 1989 -- is awarded for:

- Outstanding achievements in the science and art of waste management. The accomplishment on the part of the recipient is technological in nature and widely recognized by persons in the field; OR
- Outstanding achievement in the management, prevention and regulation of wastes. The recipient may be an employee in government, industry, education or research, whose accomplishments have led to minimizing the impact of waste in the environment; OR
- Distinguished achievement as an educator in the field of waste management

J. Deane Sensenbaugh Award

The J. Deane Sensenbaugh Award was instituted in 1989 to recognize a company or individual outstanding achievement in the fields of air pollution control or waste management. Air pollution technical achievements worthy of consideration include, but are not limited to, specific processes which minimize or more effectively control air

pollution, new air pollution equipment, and improved management practices which reduce air pollution or examine its impacts (such as sophisticated models). Material/waste engineering projects worthy of consideration include, but are not limited to, production process changes that minimize by-product formation, process for recycling/reuse of by-products/wastes, applied novel techniques for destroying wastes and overall improved systems for waste disposal. The recipient shall be a company or individual whose contribution to the state of the art technology has been recognized and accepted in commercial status within the ten-year period prior to the request for nominations.

The award was established to honor J. Deane Sensenbaugh, an environmental engineer, who was active in the Association for more than 25 years before his death in 1982. He served as Chairman of the Technical Council from 1976 to 1979 and completed a term as Association Vice President and member of the Board of Directors only few months prior to his death.

- **National Recycling Coalition - Recycling Award**

NRC's Annual Awards

Each year, the NRC presents awards to outstanding organizations and individuals in a number of categories, as listed below.* Winners are selected by a committee of NRC members and the awards are presented during the NRC's Annual Congress & Exposition. We typically seek nominations for the following awards each year:

- Recycler of the Year – Lifetime Achievement
- Outstanding Community or Government Program
- Outstanding Recycling Innovation – Product or Process
- Outstanding Environmental & Community Leadership (McClure)
- Outstanding Corporate Leadership (Schmitt)
- Outstanding School Program (all levels)
- Outstanding Market Development
- Outstanding Public Education (Boettner)
- Outstanding Minority Business/Individual Award
- BRBA Best Business or Government Buy Recycled Program
- BRBA Best State Buy Recycled Campaign
- BRBA Award for Innovative New Product or Material

*List of awards is subject to change year to year.

NRC's Recycling Works Recognition Awards

NRC presents its Recycling Works Recognition Awards to honor organizations that have made significant commitments to recycling as national advocates and leaders. These organizations demonstrate every day that recycling really does work! These awards were first presented in 1998 and have been presented annually since then during a dinner and reception in December in Washington, D.C.

NRC's Stewardship Awards

NRC's Stewardship Awards recognize innovative and committed leadership in recycling and environmental stewardship. NRC first presented these awards at the 20th Annual Congress & Exposition in Seattle in January 2002. NRC presented the Stewardship Awards again in Austin, Texas on September 10, 2002.